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1. The Independent Federation of Colombian Workers (CTCI) has established offices in the downtown quarters used by Jose Domingo VELEZ Escobar, at Carrera 9 #12-61. Jesus VILLEGRAS Palacio shares these offices, and he and VELEZ prepare CTCI propaganda. It is believed by CTCI leaders that the local labor movement is completely disorganized and that the Communists have an opportunity to advance their theories concerning labor matters.
2. According to instructions received from CTAL headquarters in Mexico, the Latin American trade movement must fight for the industrialization of all countries. In order to make plans for this development, local labor federations must consult with Marxist technicians. The latter should be given all possible information which will enable them to furnish advice concerning methods to be used in each country. That is, theoretical Marxist questions and the activities of local groups, which until recently were limited to the political field, must now be directed toward problems of national economy. In order to accomplish this objective, local parties should recruit professionals who have specialized in these matters, offering them scientific and monetary aid.
3. In addition, the Latin American labor movement should establish close connections with farm workers in order to encourage modern agricultural methods. In those countries where it is impossible to prohibit the entrance of United States capital, efforts should be made to restrict its use to certain fields and prevent its being utilized in the exploitation of strategic materials. Current foreign capital concessions should be reviewed periodically.

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